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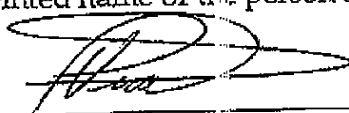
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the amendment (9 pages) faxed to the Examiner attention on October 1st, 2003. We also enclose copy of our transmission verification report for the 9 pages to fax number (703)305-7718, as stated in the Office Action.

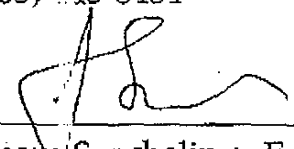
In a telephonic conversation with Examiner Duane S. Smith, he informed us that, as per his records, he has not received the amendment. He also informed that the fax number for the art unit was changed to (703)872-9306.

Please, acknowledge the receipt of the present transmission. Also, please notify the undersigned of any other outstanding matter.

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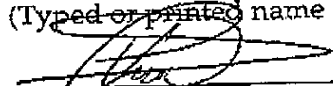
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38 In response to the recent Office action, please amend the above  
39 referenced application, using the revised format.

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

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The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lavigne (US Patent No. 2,015,076). Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Additionally, the Examiner has rejected claims 1 through 4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Watts (US Patent No. 4,278,550). Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Please consider the arguments exposed in the remarks.